

# The Judge - He Should Be the Hero.

by M.B.



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Fifteen years ago Barley, Beans and Beets were the principal crops of this whole area known today as the City of Torrance.

The first building of any sort was a frame shed erected near what is now the corner of Cravens and Carson streets. It was used for a bunk- and cook-house and it represented the first effort for the benefit of our community.

Next came the actual conversion of the ranch into a real "Modern Industrial City," with sewers, paved streets, public utilities, sidewalks, curbs, residences, business blocks, shops, etc., and this was the supreme enterprise for the benefit of our community.

In December of 1912 the writer opened a store in the Colonial Building, which store was later moved to the Brighton Building, where for 12 years it served the community. For quite a while it was an uphill climb; yet it cannot be denied that this first store in Torrance was a boon to the seven families already living here in 1912 and to the hundreds of families who came to live here in the years that followed.

The building of the Torrance Theatre, in which the writer had a minor part, is only second in benefits derived to the erecting and operating of the "Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial Hospital," in which one of our prominent physicians had a major part.

The segregation of the foreign population is considered by all public-spirited citizens as an important factor in the healthy growth and upbuilding of Torrance, and

The establishment at this time of a store whose principal object is to supply the population with Shoes for less money than any other store within a radius of hundreds of miles is left open for your decision as to what constitutes an effort or a deed "For the Good of the People" (in Latin, "Pro Bono Publico").

I take pleasure in announcing the formal opening of this Store at 1216 El Prado (Burkhart Building) on Friday, Jan. 7, 1927. A full page ad in next week's Herald and News will describe the truly wonderful values to be had right here in Torrance from then on.

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Respectfully submitted,

**J. ISENSTEIN**

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## Torrance Masons Install Officers on January 5

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The officers of Torrance Lodge U. D. were as follows: Bro. Roy Oliver Denison, W. M.; Bro. Richard Robertson Smith, S. W.; Bro. Harry Abraham Marx, J. W.; Bro. Chester Augustus Paxman, treasurer; Bro. Herman Burmaster, secretary; Bro. Ernest Ulrich Keller, S. D.; Bro. Karl Rolfo Andre, J. D.; Bro. Clarence Everett Butts, marshal; Bro. Joseph Frederick Stone, S. S.; Bro. William Karl Winkler, J. S.; Bro. Harry Melville Thomas, tiler.

The above officers opened the first lodge of Masons in Torrance on May 14, 1914.

On Friday, June 26, 1914, the first degree of Masonry was conferred on Bro. S. G. Moyses, G. D. Watson, G. W. Towne, and R. C. Leithold. The first Master Mason admitted by affiliation was L. J. Hunter. Bro. G. D. Watson was the first Master Mason to be raised in Torrance Lodge.

### Receives Charter

The charter was granted to Torrance Lodge on October 15, 1924, and it was from then on known as Torrance Lodge No. 417, F. & A. M. The first meeting held under charter was October 27, 1914. At this meeting the officers elected for the year 1914 were duly installed and the lodge constituted by the most worshipful grand master, Benjamin F. Hledsoe, assisted by Samuel E. Burke, E. B. Spencer, R. E. Dill, T. H. Jackson, W. H. Fisher, B. V. Garwood, E. B. Inghire, E. D. Pitman, and J. B. Kalsheim.

Bro. R. O. Denison was elected master for the year 1915; K. R. Andre, S. W.; C. A. Paxman, J. W.; G. W. Towne, treasurer; H. Burmaster, secretary. They were installed by Bro. Samuel E. Burke.

Bro. K. R. Andre was elected master for the year 1916, and on June 2, 1916, it was necessary for him to move to Taft. He was unable to continue as master, and the duties of master fell upon the S. W., C. A. Paxman, for the remaining months of that year. The

officers of 1916 were installed by Bro. Samuel E. Burke.

Bro. C. A. Paxman was elected master for the year 1917, and Bro. J. F. Stone was elected secretary. Bro. H. Burmaster was elected S. W. Bro. H. J. Bean installed the officers of 1917. December 7, 1917, the books showed 42 Master Masons.

Bro. Herman Burmaster was elected master for the year 1918, and Bro. R. O. Denison secretary. Bro. Samuel E. Burke installed the officers for 1918. During this year the following brothers of Torrance Lodge enlisted in the big war: Clyde Chester Blaine, James Wallace Post, Wm. L. Andre, S. G. Moyses, Ben Vandenburg, and Edward R. Sidebotham. Bro. Clyde C. Blaine was killed on the U. S. S. Santiago July 19, 1918. December 6, 1918, the lodge had 47 Master Masons.

### Year's Officers

Bro. Clinton Woodford Northrup was elected master for the year 1919. The officers of Torrance Lodge for this year were installed by Bro. Samuel E. Burke.

It was on June 6, 1919, that the idea of a home for Torrance Lodge was set in motion and the following committee appointed: Past Master R. O. Denison, Past Master C. A. Paxman, and Bro. G. W. Towne.

On October 3, 1919, Past Master R. O. Denison resigned as secretary to take up his work in Manila. P. L. and Past Master Herman Burmaster resumed the duties of secretary.

November 10, 1919, our past master and charter member, Herman Burmaster, was called to the Great Beyond, and Bro. C. H. Mueller took up the duties of secretary.

Bro. Ralph Loman Dinger was elected master for the year 1920, and Bro. C. H. Mueller secretary. The officers of 1920 were installed by Bro. D. P. Weller.

Torrance Lodge moved their meeting place from Torrance to Lomita June 4, 1920. December 7, 1920, we had 83 Master Masons.

Bro. Richard Samuel Jenkins was elected master for the year 1921. The officers of 1921 were installed by Grand Master Samuel E. Burke.

Bro. Jenkins appointed the following building committee: R. R. Smith, president; G. W. Neill, vice-president; Paul Dynes, secretary; G. W. Towne, treasurer, and W. A. Renna. The above committee purchased a lot in Torrance about where the Shell Oil station now stands on February 4, 1921. Past Master R. O. Denison returned to Torrance May 6, 1921. December 7, 1921, showed 107 Master Masons.

Bro. Paul John Beall was elected master for the year 1922, and Bro. E. H. Nash secretary. The officers of 1922 were installed by Past Grand Master Samuel E. Burke.

On October 6, 1922, the lot owned by Torrance Lodge was traded for the lot where the temple now stands. This trade was made possible only through our late brother, Judge Post.

### Lodge's Big Day

The big day for Torrance Lodge was November 25, 1922, when Deputy Grand Master Arthur S. Crites, with the assistance of the brothers of Torrance Lodge, laid the cornerstone for the new temple.

December 1, 1922, we had 130 Master Masons.

Bro. Jesse Howard Sprout was elected master for the year 1923, and Bro. W. H. Stanger secretary. The officers of 1923 were installed by Past Grand Master Samuel E. Burke.

The first meeting in our new temple was held May 4, 1923, and the new lodge room was dedicated May 18, 1923, by the deputy grand master, David J. Reese.

On September 22, 1923, our first worshipful master of this lodge was taken to the Lodge on High, Roy Oliver Denison.

December 5, 1925, showed 153 Master Masons on the roll.

Bro. Oscar William Thistle was elected master for the year 1924. Past Master Samuel E. Burke was installing officer for 1924. December 4, 1924, showed 174 Master Masons on the roll.

Bro. Glen Wilson was elected master for the year 1925. Bro. J. A. Anderson was installing officer for this year. December 3, 1925, Master Masons numbered 194.

Bro. John Henry Fess was elected master for the year 1926. Our past master, O. W. Thistle, was installing officer for 1926.

It was during this year that the brothers of Lomita decided to have a lodge of their own, and Torrance Lodge lost 22 of its members to this worthy cause. During the year we lost 16 more members from other causes, making a total of 38. December 1, 1926, Torrance Lodge had 178 Master Masons.

Bro. John Robertson Guyan was elected master for the year 1927, and Past Grand Master Samuel E. Burke will be installing officer.

Bro. Burke will install the officers of this Lodge for the ninth time on January 5, 1927, and was present when the lodge was constituted and when the present lodge room was dedicated. He was district inspector for our lodge in 1914.

## IN SOCIETY

### MR. AND MRS. ATWOOD HOSTS ON CHRISTMAS

Mr. and Mrs. Weir Atwood of Bowler avenue entertained at a delightful dinner party Christmas eve. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gose of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McKinney of Lomita, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Terry and daughters Esther and Helen Terry and Edna Davis, and Mr. Atwood Sr.

### FAMILY REUNION HELD AT LUTHER HYDE HOME

One of the happiest gatherings of the season was the family reunion held Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hyde. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Park Hyde, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harwood, and Mrs. Arthur Clough, Miriam, Harold and Donald Clough, Mrs. Emma Buck of Los Angeles, Mrs. Clough, Miss Vida Clough, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Laurie, of San Pedro; Mr. and Mrs. George Clough, of Westminster; and Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. Hyde and daughter.

### HOLIDAY HOUSE PARTY AT BRINEY HOME

Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Briney of Post avenue entertained at a delightful house party over the holiday and weekend. Guests who enjoyed the Brineys' hospitality were Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Briney, Misses Olive and Bertha Briney, of Santa Ana; Mr. and Mrs. Erin Johannessen and son, of Fullerton; Miss Olive Dec, of Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lewis and son, and Misses Epily and Eula Lewis.

A Christmas guest at the home of Dr. and Mrs. N. A. Leake was J. Vernon Powell of Santa Monica, formerly of Kansas.

## SOCIETY

### MR. AND MRS. MILLER HAVE HOUSE PARTY

Among the house parties that featured the holiday was the jolly affair at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Miller of Arlington avenue.

The guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bright, Mr. and Mrs. Miller Bright, Misses Beatrice and Emma Bright, Miss Dorothy Binn, of Los Angeles, Mrs. Margaret Miller of Rochester, Ind., J. C. Eggers of Taft, and Elmer Farnum of Torrance.

### CELEBRATE BIRTHDAY AND CHRISTMAS AT PARTY

Guests who gathered Christmas eve at the home of Mrs. Gladys Bruno joined in a double celebration—Christmas and the birthday of Mrs. Annabel Webb.

A late supper was served to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller of Santa Ana, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Padgett of Los Angeles, Charles Pennington, and Mrs. Webb.

### CHRISTMAS PARTY AT F. J. YOUNG HOME

Christmas at the F. J. Young home on Cota avenue was a gala affair, starting with breakfast, when Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stone were guests, and ending with a delightful party in the evening.

Present were F. L. Sexton, John E. Young, Misses Ella and Albertine Young, Miss Hazel Young, of Los Angeles; Mrs. Fiek, of Pomona; Henry Sullivan, of Ventura; Mr. and Mrs. D. G. McDonald and family, of Compton; Mr. and Mrs. John A. Young and son, and Miss Blanche Cummings.

### MR. AND MRS. JOHN YOUNG HOSTS AT BUFFET SUPPER

Following a delightful social evening Sunday Mr. and Mrs. John A. Young served a buffet supper to Misses Ella and Albertine Young, John B. Young, of Los Angeles; Mrs. Fiek, of Pomona; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stone, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Young and family, and Miss Blanche Cummings.

Dinner guests Wednesday of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Young of Cota avenue were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Timbs of Los Angeles.

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To our old friends from Lomita who have so thoughtfully followed us to our new store in Torrance we are particularly thankful—and to the hundreds of new-found friends in the Torrance district we cannot half express our appreciation. It has been wonderful of All of You, and we thank you with all the earnestness in our hearts.

Sincerely,  
J. W. BARNES.

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Edna Mae Priest  
La Gretta Hall  
Ethel May Denny  
Doris Paxton

Helen Greiner  
Virginia Cook  
Shirley McVici  
Phyllis Ordway  
Shirley Guttenfelder  
Frances Huddleston  
Barbara Ann Kipp

Lucile Lynn

We also wish to thank the following little girls who did such good work for us, and we are only sorry that there weren't dolls enough for all of you:

Lena Evans  
Elsie Norris  
Betty Holms  
Nadine Sherwin  
Valva Cyrus  
Marce L. Ordaz  
Ruth Anna Westick

Esther Stephens  
Helen Motika  
Lillian Chambers  
Jane Wheaton  
Elizabeth Edwards  
Catherine Casbaker  
B. Bordie  
Dorothy Nuckles

Mary Peckham  
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Mary Turner  
Elsa Norman  
Bessie Hendricks  
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To One and All We Extend Our Best Wishes for the New Year

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